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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventor : Yasuji OTA  
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Serial No. : 09/386,824

Filed : August 31, 1999

Title **VOICE CODING METHOD, VOICE CODING  
APPARATUS, AND VOICE DECODING  
APPARATUS**

Examiner : Abul K. Azad

Group Art Unit : 2654

September 16, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

( ) one month (X) three months  
( ) two months ( ) four months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for a three-month extension of time is \$930.

(x) Fee enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension of time to Deposit Account No. 50-1290. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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☐ Applicant is a small entity entitled to pay reduced fees in this application.

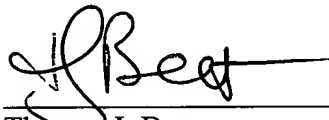
A verified small entity statement:

☐ has been filed ☐ is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a:

- ☐ Declaration, Request to Correct Inventorship, Consent, disclaimer
- ☒ Response/ Amendment ☐ Notice of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief
- ☐ Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
- ☐ Sub Power of Attorney/Change of Correspondence Address

Respectfully submitted,



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